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For: CHROMATE-FREE CONVERSION LAYER AND PROCESS FOR
PRODUCING THE SAME

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Title Item and Col 2, lines 1-3,
On the Cover Page, Section (54), delete "CHROMATE-FREE CONVERSION LAYER AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME" and insert therefore ~~-CHROMIUM(VI)-FREE CONVERSION LAYER AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING IT-~~.

A Style Change
On the Cover Page, Section (30), delete "196 15 664" and insert therefor -196 15 664.5-

Title Item
On the Cover Page, Section (56) (Other Publications), second reference, ~~line 2~~ after "London, GB;" insert -Class E31,-

~~Column 1, delete lines 1, 2 & 3 and insert therefor -CHROMIUM(VI) FREE CONVERSION LAYER AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING IT-~~

Column 2, line 22, delete "1.5 μ m" and insert therefor -1.5 μ m-

Column 3, line 2, delete "protection > 100" and insert therefor -protection > 100-

Column 3, line 58, after "FIG. 4" insert -, -

Column 4, line 57, delete "layer > 1%" and insert therefor -layer > 1%-

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Column 6, line 61, delete "chromium (III)" and insert therefor -chromium(III)-. *OFF*

Column 7, line 18, before "Chromium (III)" begin a new paragraph. *OFF*

Column 7, line 51, delete " $\text{CrCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ " and insert therefor $-\text{CrCl}_3 \cdot 6 \text{H}_2\text{O}-$. *OFF*

Column 8, line 42, delete " K_1 " and insert therefor $-\text{k}_1-$. *OFF*

Column 8, line 48, delete " $\text{Zn}^{2+} + x\text{Cr}^{(\text{III})} + y\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{ZnCr}_x\text{O}_y + 2y \text{H}^+$ " and insert therefor $-\text{Zn}^{2+} + x\text{Cr}^{(\text{III})} + y\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{ZnCr}_x\text{O}_y + 2y \text{H}^+-$. *OFF*

Column 8, line 51, delete " $\text{H}^+, \text{Cr}^{(\text{III})}$ " and insert therefor $-\text{H}^+, \text{Cr}^{(\text{III})}-$. *OFF*

Column 8, line 54, delete " $1/(1+p_1 \cdot m_{\text{ZnCrO}})^2$ " and insert therefor $-1/(1+p_1 \cdot m_{\text{ZnCrO}})^2-$. *OFF*

Column 8, line 59, delete " $\text{k}_1 \times c_{\text{H}} + / a + p_1 \times m_{\text{ZnCrO}})^2 -$ " and insert therefor $-\text{k}_1 \times c_{\text{H}} + / (1 + p_1 \times m_{\text{ZnCrO}})^2-$. *OFF*

Column 8, line 60, before " k_2 " insert $---$. *OFF*

Column 8, line 60, after " $x \tanh(p_2 \times m_{\text{ZnCrO}})$ " delete $-+-$. *OFF*

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Column 8, line 61, before " k_T " insert $+-$. *OPF*

Column 8, line 62, delete " a " and insert therefor $-(1-$. *OPF*

Column 8, line 62, after " $p_1 \times m_{ZnCrO}$ " delete $-+-$. *OPF*

Column 8, line 63, before " $2yk_2$ " insert $+-$. *OPF*

Column 8, line 63, delete " $x 3_{H+}$ " and insert therefor $-xc_H+-$. *OPF*

Column 8, line 63, after " $x \tanh(p_2 \times m_{ZnCrO})$ " delete $+-$. *OPF*

Column 9, line 2, before " k_T " insert $+-$. *OPF*

Column 9, line 4, after " $x \tanh(p_2 \times m_{ZnCrO})$ " delete $-+-$. *OPF*

Column 9, line 6, before " k_T " insert $+-$. *OPF*

Column 9, line 6, delete second occurrence of " $-c_{Cr}^{(III)}$ ". *OPF*

Column 9, line 12, delete " $\tan h(p_2 \cdot m_{ZnCrO})$ " and insert therefor $-\tanh(p_2 \cdot m_{ZnCrO})-$. *OPF*

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Column 9, line 13, after "reaction II" insert $-, -$. *DP*

Column 9, line 14, delete "tan h" and insert therefor $-\tanh-$. *DP*

Column 9, line 29, delete "kj" and insert therefor $-kj-$. *DP*

Column 10, line 60, delete " $\text{CrCl}_3 \cdot 6$ " and insert therefor $-\text{CrCl}_3 \cdot 6-$. *DP*

Column 11, line 12, delete " $\text{CrCl}_3 \cdot 6$ " and insert therefor $-\text{CrCl}_3 \cdot 6-$. *DP*

Column 12, line 2, delete "60 s." and insert therefor $-60s-$. *DP*

Column 12, line 17, delete "60 s." and insert therefor $-60s-$. *DP*

Column 12, line 37-38, delete "chromium (VI)" and insert therefor $-\text{chromium(VI)}-$. *DP*

Column 13, line 12, delete "0.00" and insert therefor ".00". *DP*

Column 15, line 28, after "O" insert $-, -$. *DP*

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